(v) Afforestation of degraded land under National Afforestation Programme through the system of Forest Development Agencies and Joint Forest Management Committees.

(vi) Harvesting of tress from Government Forest Land only through the agency of State Forest Departments/Forest Development Corporations.

Clearance of water pollution projects in Tamil Nadu

1089. SHRI R. SHUNMUGASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the projects under way to clear pollution in the rivers and waterways in Tamil Nadu;

(b) the amount of funds which have been allocated for the clearance of water pollution in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) the number of sewage treatment plants which have been constructed in Chennai city and how many of them are functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) and (b) The projects approved for implementation and allocation/sanction of funds for abatement of pollution of rivers and waterways in Tamil Nadu under National River Conservation Plan are as follows:

(i)	clearance of pollution of waterways in Chennai (100% centrally funded	— Rs. 491.52 crore
(ii)	Clearance of pollution of rivers namely Cauvery, Vennar, Vaigai and Tambrabarni in Erode, Bhavani, Kumarapalayam, Pallipalayam, Trichy-Srirangam, Madurai, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur, Tirunelveli, Myladuthurai and Karur-Inam Karur towns	
	— 100%, centrally funded	— Rs. 36.28 crore
	— Cost sharing between Central Govt. & State Government/local body/public (approximately 50:50)	— Rs. 575.30 crore
	TOTAL	— Rs. 1103.10 crore

Out of Rs. 1103.10 crore of projects envisaged under the Plan, Detailed Project Reports amounting to Rs. 784.68 crore have been sanctioned for execution so far.

(c) Under the projects for clearance of pollution of waterways in Chennai, four numbers of sewage treatment plants have been envisaged which are under construction. Detailed Project Reports for the two sewage treatment plants have been approved and for the other two sewage treatment plants, these have been received. All the four sewage treatment plants are likely to be completed by March, 2005 as intimated by Government of Tamil Nadu.

Terror of Leopards in Mumbai

†1090. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the terror of man-eating leopard is on the increase in Mumbai;

(b) if so, the number of persons killed by leopards during the last three years; and

(c) what are the reasons thereof and the action being taken by Government to subdue terror of the leopards?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) Yes Sir. There has been an increase in the incidences of deaths due to attack by leopards during the month of June, 2004.

(b) The details of number of persons killed by leopards during the last three years are as follows:-

Year	Number of persons killed
2002	17
2003	14
2004	14
Total	45

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.